IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. MBHB00,716-D (RPI No. 600.016))

In re the Application of:)	
)	Group Art Unit: 1623
Leonid Beigelman et al.)	
)	Examiner: Patrick Lewis
Serial No.: 10/043,951)	
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Filed: January 11, 2002)	RECEIVED
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For: Methods for Synthesizing Nucleosides,)	
Nucleoside Derivatives and Non-Nucleoside)	JAN 0 8 2004
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In regard to the above-identified application:

- 1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
 - Response to Office Action Mailed August 22, 2003; a.
 - Petition for One-Month Extension of Time; b.
 - Return Receipt Postcard.
- 2. With respect to additional fees:
 - No additional fee is required.
 - Attached is a check in the amount of \$110.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a).
- 3. Please charge any deficiency in the amount due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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